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Amendments to the Specification

On page 1, after the title and before the "Technical Field" please insert the following new paragraph:

This application is a national stage entry under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT International Patent Application No. PCT/JP00/08012, filed November 14, 2000, which claims priority of Japanese Patent Application No. 11/324511, filed November 15, 1999, Japanese Patent Application No. 2000/111255, filed April 12, 2000, Japanese Patent Application No. 2000/113754, filed April 14, 2000, Japanese Patent Application No. 2000/124394, filed April 25, 2000, Japanese Patent Application No. 2000/128249, filed April 27, 2000, and Japanese Patent Application No. 2000/130158, filed April 28, 2000.

Please replace the current Abstract with the replacement Abstract attached hereto as **Exhibit 1**.